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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

SUBJECT: Secrecy Agreements

A quostion was brought up by as to who among con- 25X1A9a tractors personnel should be required to sign secrecy agreements.

ments should be signed by contractors! principals at the time they are given classified information in pre-contract discussion. If these same principals are the only ones involved in the execution of the contract, then no further secrecy agreement is necessary. If new principals are involved in the execution of the contract, they too chould be required to sign a secrecy agreement. It is not intended that the working personnel cleared to work on the contract be required to sign secrecy agreements. There may be exceptions to this where a principal engineer or plant supervisor is a key man in the work or has direct responsibility for the work and was not involved in either the pre-contract discussions or the contract execution. The contracting officer should use his judgment in such cases.

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